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Nelson-Jones House
New Market vicinity
Private

Ca. 1800

The Nelson-Jones House is a two-story stone dwelling built about 1800 with one remaining outbuilding, a log meathouse of about the same date. The house is in fair condition, with a much-altered rear wing covered with vinyl siding, and some replaced window sash. The north elevation, with three bays and a sidelighted doorway sheltered by an entry porch, still has a clear feeling and association with the early 19th century. The log meathouse is in deteriorated condition, but also has an unmistakable historical character. The house was probably built by Henry Nelson, whose descendants sold the property in 1866 to John P. Jones (1823-1907). The Jones heirs retained the farm until the early 20th century. The Nelson-Jones House is one of five stone houses which appear in the vicinity on the 1808 Varle Map, all of which are extant along Old Annapolis Road.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:
Rural Agrarian Intensification, A.D. 1680-1815
Agricultural-Industrial Transition, A.D. 1815-1870

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Types:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:
Domestic/single dwelling/residence
Domestic/secondary structure/smokehouse

Known Design Source: None

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☒ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Nelson-Jones House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 11605 Old Annapolis Road ☐ not for publicationcity, town New Market ☒ vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Williams-Central Farm Partnership

street & number 6919 Green Valley Road telephone no.:

city, town New Market state and zip code MD 21774

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 1538

street & number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 237

city, town Frederick state MD 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. F-5-89

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 2

The Nelson-Jones House is a two-story stone dwelling built about 1800 with a much-altered two-story rear wing located on the south side of Old Annapolis Road about 0.4 mile west of the intersection with Green Valley Road (Md. 75) near New Market, Frederick County, Maryland. The house was originally the center of a farmstead, but the only remaining outbuilding is a deteriorated log meathouse southeast of the house, dating from approximately the same period. The house faces north and is located about 750 feet from the public road in the midst of open agricultural fields. The date of the house was estimated from architectural evidence, land records, and historical maps.

The house has a three-bay principal elevation with a center entrance sheltered by an entry porch with a shed roof. The porch appears to have a rebuilt upper structure on a stone foundation with a concrete deck. The walls have been plastered in the past, but most of the plastering has weathered off the north elevation. The south elevation of the main section still has most of the plastered exterior in place, as do the gable ends. The walls are topped by a corbeled brick cornice and the roof is standing seam metal with interior end chimneys. The original roof was probably slate or wood shingles, which may still be in place under the metal. The windows are 2/2 or 2/1. The doorway has a transom and sidelights and the door is a glass panel type of the late 19th century. The west gable end has a single off-center bay with an entrance to the cellar in the exposed foundation. A single attic window is in the gable. The east gable end has no openings except a boarded attic window. The two-story rear wing has vinyl siding and replacement 1/1 windows. The wing probably had a two-story open porch on the east side which has been enclosed by the vinyl-sided extension. The stone foundation is exposed on the south end of the wing, with two entrance doors. The interior of the house was inaccessible for this survey.

Meathouse: The deteriorated log meathouse has a single opening in the west gable end, but the frame is askew and the door is missing. The gables are covered with weatherboard siding and the corrugated metal roof extends slightly over the west end. The meathouse was probably built about 1800.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates C. 1800

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Nelson-Jones House is moderately significant for the stonemasonry of the dwelling and the log structure of the sole remaining outbuilding, a meathouse. Both the house and outbuilding were probably built about 1800 by Henry Nelson. The 1808 Varle Map shows the house in symbolic form along with 4 other stone houses, all of which are extant, along the road which linked the Liberty Road with Parr's Spring near the present Mt. Airy and continued toward the southeast and Annapolis. Interior examination of the house may reveal information to define more clearly the date of the house. The Nelson-Jones House is one of the two houses of the five in poorest condition, the other being the James House (F-5-39) of 1791. The Nelson-Jones House retains considerable integrity nevertheless, especially on the north elevation. In 1866, Henry Nelson (possibly one of two Henry Nelsons, one living 1840-1912, the other 1796-1873) sold the property to John P. Jones (1823-1907), who was related by marriage to the Nelsons. The Jones family retained ownership until the early 1920's.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. F-5-89

Bond, Isaac. Map of Frederick County, 1858.

Holdcraft, Jacob M. Names In Stone, V.1. Privately published, Ann Arbor, Mi., 1966, pp. 628-629; 631

Land Records of Frederick County

(Continued on separate sheet)

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 3 acresQuadrangle name Walkersville, Md.Quadrangle scale 1:24000UTM References do NOT complete UTM referencesA

Zone	Easting							Northing	

B

Zone	Easting							Northing	

C

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Approximately 3 acres centered on the stone dwelling on Tax Map 69, Parcel 23.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyororganization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. date June 1994street & number 12 E. Church Street telephone 696-2958city or town Frederick state MD 21701

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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9.1 Bibliography (Continued)

Titus, C.O. Atlas of Frederick County, 1873.

Varle, Charles. Map of Frederick and Washington Counties, 1808.

11605 Old Annapolis Rd.

Liber/Folio	Grantee	Grantor	Lot Size, Description, Original Tracts, Miscellaneous	Cost
1538/237 29 Dec 88	Williams - Central Farm P'ship	Williams - Central Farm, Inc.	parts of "Resurvey on Nathan's Undertaking" and "Colloston" 196 A.	
466/398 28 Nov-47	John E. & Arline E. Williams	Dorothy E. Keyes sunn.		
466/397 28 Nov 47	Dorothy E. Keyes	John E. & Arline E. Williams		
423/316 30 Mar 40	John E. Williams	William M. Sponseller et al Eugene Sponseller	known as "Resurvey on Nathan's Undertaking" "Colloston", now called "Partnership" 198 1/4 A., 2 1/4 sq. p.	
370/137 28 Mar 29	Eugene Sponseller	Charles C. Albaugh et al	198 1/4 A., 2 1/4 sq. p.	
Will Record (Baltimore City) GES 2/251	Harriet Brooks Jones & Charles E. Albaugh	Harriet Brooks Jones	devised with condition of \$10,000 payment to West. Md. College	
Will Record GES 2/340	Harriet Brooks Jones, wife of Harry C. Jones	Harry C. Jones		
DHH 7/125 7 Aug 1900	Harry C. Jones, son	Joanna C. Jones	196 A.	\$1
Will Record JKW 1/441	Joanna C. Jones wife, & son Harry C. Jones	William Jones		
SLJ 11/179 25 June 1895	William Jones	John P. Jones	formerly known as "Resurvey on Nathan's Undertaking" & "Colloston", now known as "Partnership" 198 1/4 A., 2 1/4 sq. p.	\$9,800

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Lot Size, Description,
Original Tracts,
Miscellaneous

Cost

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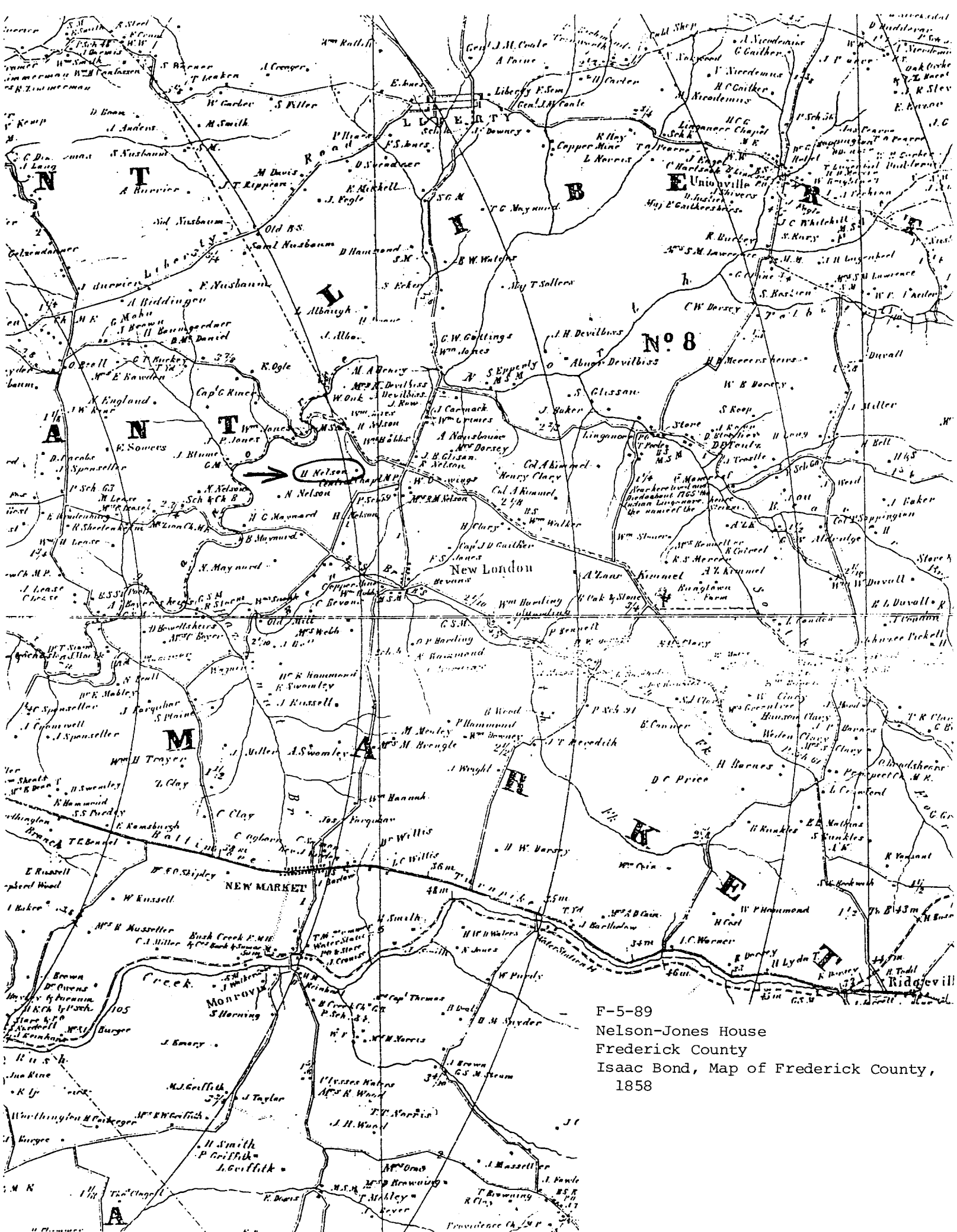


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Charles Varle, Map of Frederick
and Washington Counties, 1808



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Isaac Bond, Map of Frederick County,
1858

MARKET DIST No. 9

Scale 7 1/2 inches to the mile

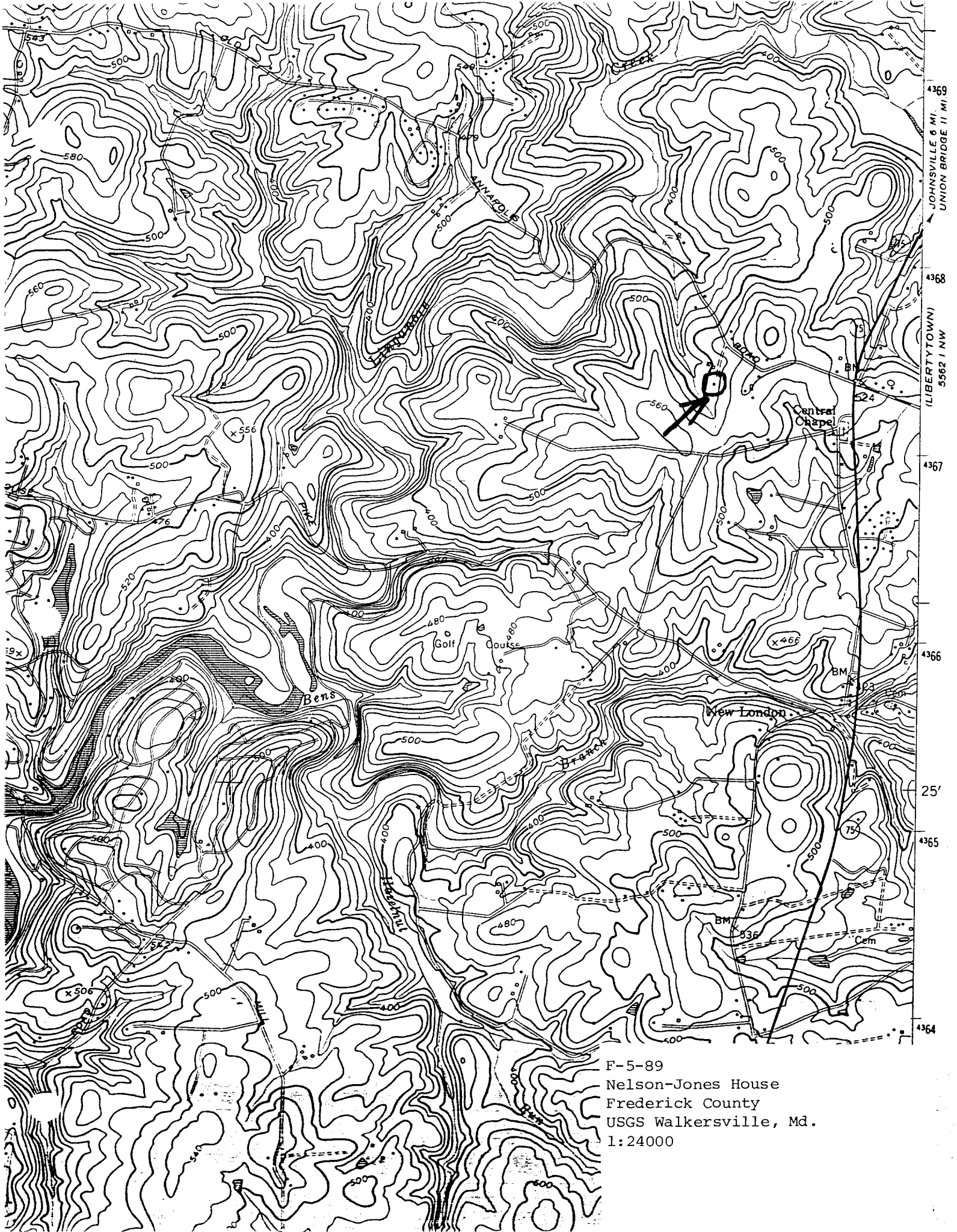


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USGS Walkersville, Md.
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Neg. loc.: Md. SHPO, Crownsville, Md.

North elevation

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Neg. loc.: Md. SHPO, Crownsville, Md.

South elevation

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Smokehouse, west elevation

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